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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: TALKING POINTS FOR APPROACH TO SAG

ON WALVIS BAY

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- 1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN REVISED VERSION OF TALKING POINTS FOR APPROACH TO SAG WHICH IS BEING TRANSMITTED BY USUN SEPTEL.
- 2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CONTACT GROUP DISCUSSED TODAY OUR PROPOSAL THAT WE INFORM SAG THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF CONTACT GROUP PLAN TO CONSULT WITH SAG UN MISSION

CHARGE EKSTEEN ON SECURITY COUNCIL TACTICS. ALTHOUGH CONTACT GROUP HAD NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO THIS POINT, IT WAS DECIDED THAT IT WOULD BE INADVISABLE TO PUT IT IN WRITING. CONSEQUENTLY, IN MAKING PRESENTATION TO SAG, DURING JULY 25 MEETING AMBASSADOR SHOULD MAKE POINT THAT WE WILL BE IN CONTINUING CONTACT WITH EKSTEEN AS THE SECURITY COUNCIL SCENARIO UNFOLDS.

3. PRIOR TO MAKING APPROACH TO SAG, EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK CONCURRENCE OF OTHER FOUR EMBASSIES TO REVISE LAST SENTENCE

OF 4TH POINT TO READ: "THE RESOLUTION IMPLIES THAT WALVIS BAY IS NOT AT PRESENT INTEGRATED IN NAMIBIA AND WILL REMAIN IN THIS CONDITION SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS." HOWEVER, IF RAPID CONCURRENCE OF OTHER FOUR TO THIS CHANGE IS NOT FORTHCOMING, EMBASSY SHOULD GO AHEAD WITH USUN TEXT.

4. WE WOULD ALSO PREFER THAT FIRST SENTENCE OF FOURTH PARA READ "THE WALVIS BAY RESOLUTION, WHICH DERIVED FROM A DRAFT PRESENTED BY THE AFRICANS AT LUANDA, OF WHICH WE HAVE INFORMED YOU..." IF CONCURRENCE OF OTHER FOUR IS NOT RAPIDLY FORTHCOMING, EMBASSY CAN GO AHEAD WITHOUT THIS ADDITION. VANCE

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